

TALKING TOURISM

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Each month this space will be devoted to a column written by Debbie Robinson, executive director of the Cambridge/Guernsey County Visitors & Convention Bureau (VCB). She will provide information about upcoming events, area attractions, bureau services and projects, and most importantly, communicate the tremendous impact that the travel and tourism industry has on this region.

An Eclipse Party is on the Horizon

Excitement is building across the nation for a rare solar eclipse that will partially be visible right here in Southeast Ohio on the afternoon of April 8. And while Guernsey County is not anticipated to be in the path of full totality, there's no better place to see this once-in-a-generation event than in our area.

Check out the following ideal spots to see this phenomenal event with friends and family.

John & Annie Glenn Museum - Born in Cambridge, Ohio, and moving later to New Concord with his family, John Glenn became synonymous with space, as John became a test pilot, astronaut, NASA consultant and later, U.S. Senator. Gather at the childhood home of America's first astronaut to orbit earth for a one-of-a-kind opportunity to mark this celestial event. The home, now the John & Annie Glenn Museum, will offer tours, refreshments and eclipse glasses – all free of charge on April 8 from 12-4:30 p.m. (Note: Peak coverage of the eclipse is estimated to occur at 3:15 p.m.) Read more about the museum here: ohiohistory.org/visit/browse-historical-sites/john-annie-glenn-museum/

Complete a special eclipse day (or any visit!) with stops at other local sites important to John and Annie on the Heritage Trail: [visitguernseycounty.com/things-to-do/john-annie-glenn-heritage-trail/](https://www.visitguernseycounty.com/things-to-do/john-annie-glenn-heritage-trail/)

Rocky Fork Ranch - Come and watch the solar eclipse on April 8 from 1-3:30 p.m. surrounded by the beauty of Rocky Fork Ranch in the foothills of Guernsey County. Call our front desk 740-498-4134 and book a cabin or campsite and make it a relaxing long weekend trip. Hot dogs, chips, lemonade and water will be served. Guests can make s'mores over the campfire for dessert. Glasses for the first 50 people will be provided. From 1:30 – 2:30 p.m. photos will be taken with one of the ranch's beautiful horses. Wagon rides will be offered (weather permitting). Make a reservation for summer fun while visiting the ranch! Learn more about the ranch here: <https://www.travelresorts.com/locations/rocky-fork-ranch/>.

And for more Guernsey County happenings and info, visit our events calendar log on to www.visitguernseycounty.com.

Events to Discover

March 1	Ethan Timm, Guernsey County Brewhouse
March 2	St. Benedict School Auction, St. Benedict's Gym
March 2	14 th Annual Guernsey County CDC Winter Banquet, Pritchard Laughlin Civic Center
March 8-9	Home, Garden & Business Expo, Pritchard Laughlin Civic Center
March 8	Bo Jamison & Company, Guernsey Brewhouse
March 8 & 29	Pennyroyal Opera House Bluegrass Concerts, Fairview
March 9	Flushed Band, Guernsey Brewhouse with The Holey Rollers Donut Truck
March 11	The Giant BUBBLE SHOW, Guernsey County Fairgrounds
March 14	GCSO New Dog Shelter Gala, Pritchard Laughlin Civic Center
March 15-16	National Museum of Cambridge Glass open for Auction
March 16	National Cambridge Collectors All-Cambridge Benefit Auction, Pritchard Laughlin Civic Center

March 16 Book Signing for Local Author Roger Pickenpaugh, Bookology
March 17 Shamrock Shuffle 5K, Great Guernsey Trail, Lore City Trail Head
March 17 Southeastern Ohio Symphony Orchestra, Brown Chapel, Muskingum University,
New Concord
March 21-23 Cambridge Lions Club 48th Music and Comedy Show, Pritchard Laughlin Civic Center
March 23 Tea & Trivia, John & Annie Glenn Museum
March 23 Mystic Fair, Southgate Hotel Tiki Lounge
March 23 4th Annual Byesville Businesses Bunny Hop, Downtown Byesville
March 27 Wild Wednesdays, Deerassic Park Education Center

To learn more about the VCB, area events, and activities, visit the Cambridge/Guernsey County VCB office at 627 Wheeling Avenue, Suite 200 in downtown Cambridge, call 740-432-2022, email info@VisitGuernseyCounty.com or log onto VisitGuernseyCounty.com.

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